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God is in the details

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*Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one
of thy righteous judgments endureth forever.*

Psalm 119:160

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The Children of a Lesser God: Liberalism – Political and Religious

*The American people will never knowingly adopt Socialism, but under the name of Liberalism they will adopt every fragment of the Socialist program until one day America will be a Socialist nation without knowing how it happened.*¹ *Norman Thomas, former Socialist Party Candidate for President of the United States*

*Come now, dear friend, what is the nature of tyranny? As to its origin, it is fairly obvious that it is a transformation of democracy.*² *Plato*

*Form Criticism [of the Bible] as often practiced leads to skepticism.*³
Edward J. Young - writing about Higher Criticism, a form of Religious Liberalism

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man

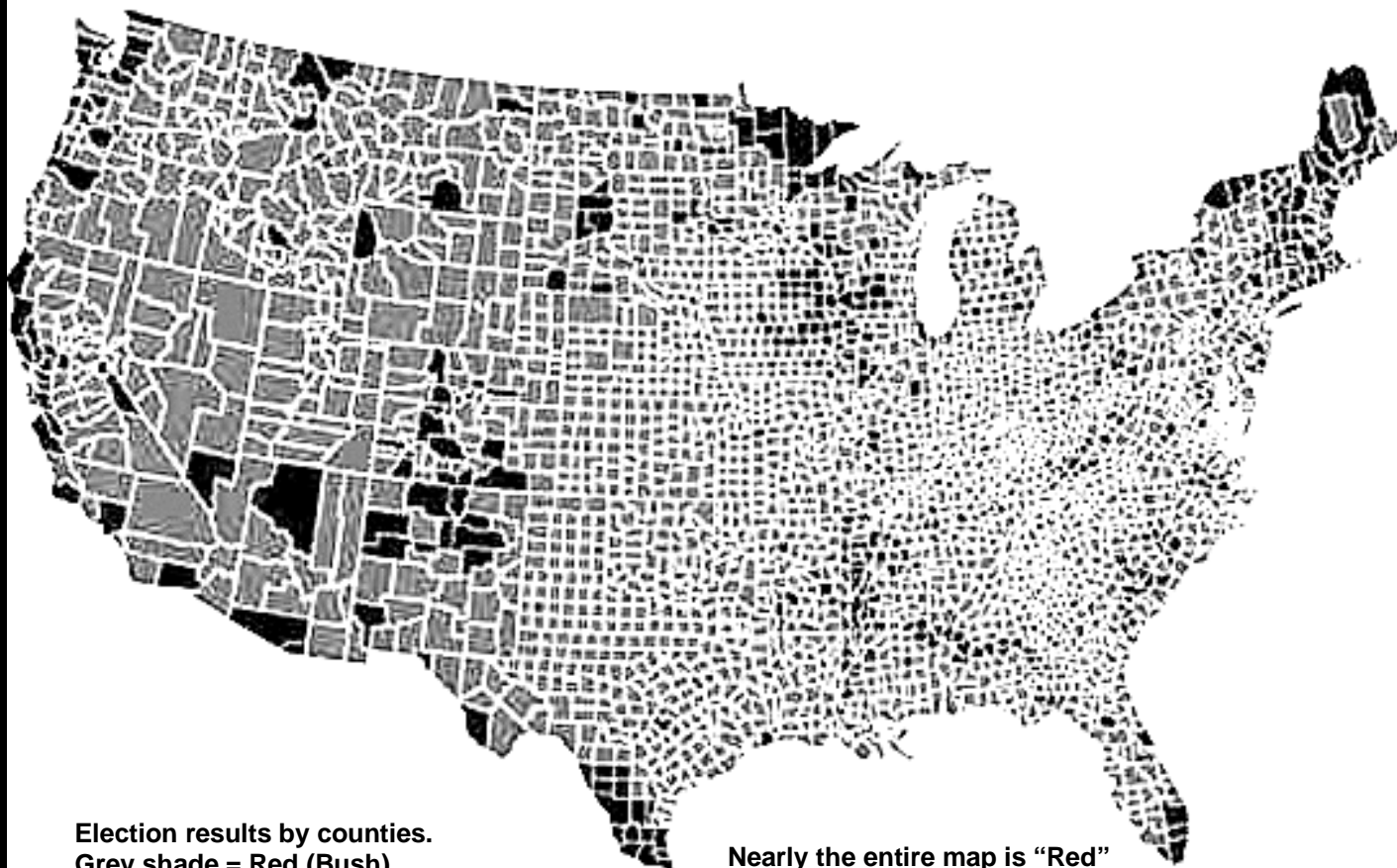
Liberalism – The Election of 2004
Shortly after the election of 2004, the news media focused on the Christian vote, and in particular traditional family values as the reason for the reelection of George W. Bush. However, many in the Democrat liberal left would not acknowledge that they had lost the election because of the traditional Christian values of middle America that colored most of the map red on a county by county basis, while only small dots of the urban and some Hispanic concentrated areas were colored blue. This was true even in the states won by John Kerry. How did the ideas of Liberalism take-root in this country?

Progressivism and Democracy

Progressivism is an idea held by many individuals in the early years of the 20th century. It was

a belief that “progress could be achieved by the aggressive use of government power.” The ideas of progressivism fueled Franklin Roosevelt’s New Deal of the 1930’s. The form it then took “came to be called Liberalism, a considerable distortion of an older set of ideas once known by that name.”¹ The progressives “embraced two powerful ideas. They were democracy and nationalism.” They “pushed for popular control over government to be expanded, and linked this to progress and progressivism.” This was to be used to transform not only America, but the world as well, “what Theodore Roosevelt called the new nationalism.”² Progressivism promoted by John Dewey’s Progressive Education in the public schools caused the Republic to begin to give way to the idea that this nation is a Democracy.³ Pure Democracy promotes a government where the majority rules. In the Republic of our

BUSH COUNTRY 2004



Election results by counties.
 Grey shade = Red (Bush)
 Black shade = Blue (Kerry)
 Map courtesy www.seanhannity.com

Nearly the entire map is "Red"
 for Bush, even in most of the
 States that Kerry won.

Founders people elect representatives responsible to them, making it difficult for the majority to oppress the minority. According to Plato, a Democracy will ultimately corrupt to tyranny with the "severest and most cruel slavery following... the extreme of liberty."⁴

Socialistic Tendency of Liberalism

Contrary to their statements, the liberal in the West has always been anticlerical, and by 1900 he sought to prevent people from getting religion.⁵ Likewise, since 1900, the liberal is antimilitaristic, and opposes funding for "legitimate defense."⁶ The modern liberal agenda is in support of feminism, homosexual rights (including gay marriage), separation of church and state, toleration (to the extreme that it paralyzes speech and free expression), and legalization of recreational drugs. While liberals, by definition, claim not to be socialists, the support of socialist's causes argues against that. Many prominent liberals may

indeed be hard-core socialists. Professing to be pro-family, many work in support of anti-family legislation and find against pro-family issues from the judicial bench. For example, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg's opinions include: Eliminate the concept of the husband as chief breadwinner (the wife as homemaker), comprehensive child care must be provided by the federal government, age of consent for sexual acts must be lowered to 12 years, prostitution must be legalized, and all-boy and all-girl organizations must be sexually integrated.⁷ This is an example of Liberalism in this country, and it is also an example of the socialist leanings of the modern liberal.

Granted that there are liberals on both sides of the aisle, but it was the Democrats that finally embraced Liberalism and have made its tenets the platform of their party. It was a Democrat administration that supported the creation of the National Banking system (Federal Reserve) and the

amendment that provided progressive taxation of wages. Both are socialistic measures proposed by Karl Marx in his *The Communist Manifesto*.⁸ Similarly, Justice Ginsburg's anti-family decisions embraced Karl Marx's ideas, expressed in his *The Communist Manifesto*, to abolish the family ("Abolition of the family!")⁹ Similarly, the Secular Humanist, Lawrence Casler, has written:

*Marriage, for most people, has outlived its usefulness and is doing more harm than good. The solution is not to make divorces more difficult to obtain, but to recognize the so-called divorce problem for what it is: a symptom of the marriage.*¹⁰

In other words: "Modern evolving mankind no longer requires it [marriage]."¹¹

Liberalism, Humanism, and Tradition Christian Values

In addition to their socialist tendencies, the modern liberal qualifies as a member of the *American Humanist Association*. A cursory examination of the *Humanist Manifestos* reveal that the ideology of the liberal platform corresponds almost exactly to Secular Humanism, including the idea of church state separation, removal of God from the public arena, ethical autonomy, no absolutes, freedom of sexual expression, right to abortion, world government, socialized welfare, and others.¹² These views are in direct opposition to traditional Christian values.

While it is certain that not all recent supporters of President Bush were committed Christians, they were committed to the values that their conscience said were right values. In effect, they were against legitimizing homosexual marriage, and many were against abortion. You don't need to be a Christian to object to degrading the marriage union between a man and a woman. Likewise, one need not be a professing Christian to see that there is something fundamentally wrong with abortion. Also, if we were created for a purpose, then homosexual relationships have no value in reproducing future generations, unless the real purpose in promoting and encouraging the homosexual lifestyle is anti-family and population control. In this election, many likeminded voters joined with professing Christians in standing for traditional Christian values, rejecting the homosexual and abortion agenda.

Compromise

For many of the previously stated reasons, the liberal left does not like their president professing openly of being a "born again" Christian. While the Democrats are scrambling to maintain their liberal platform, some seem to acknowledge that changes need be made. On the other side, In spite of their recent success, a liberal voice within the GOP would try to turn the Republicans more toward the left in the next

election as a means of garnering still more votes. So, the solution being proposed, as always, by both Republicans and Democrats is to compromise.

To compromise means to corrupt one's values in some way to gain an advantage or reach an accord. That was not the message that this electorate sent. In this election there were two different men on the stage professing two different sets of values. Do not doubt that this election was about values. One set of values was rejected. This electorate rejected humanistic socialist values while sending a message in support of the values that originally made this nation great. In reality, there is only one set of values that is right. Those values have been instilled in man's conscience, and recorded in God's Word. Man knows what is right, but power, money, and greed often dictate what set of values that he ultimately will follow. The values that matter are the ones that lift up man toward God, not cheat him out of his freedom, nor allow him license to do anything he wishes. What are the values of Liberalism?

Liberalism, Pragmatism, and the Constitution

The cornerstone of Liberalism is personal liberty — permissiveness within legal bounds. The modern liberal has infused another philosophy within their ideology designed to make socialism acceptable to the masses. This philosophy is known as Pragmatism. It is a philosophy built on never-ending evolution. As pragmatists, they promote the idea of "continuous and ongoing reform." To them everything is in flux, nothing is fixed, and therefore it is "possible to reshape man and the world about us according to our wills."¹³ The ideas of Progressivism when infused with the philosophy of Pragmatism gave impetus to the push for continuous social transformation, where the country could embrace socialism, a little at a time, without ever realizing they had been infected (gradualism).¹⁴

To promote their pragmatic idea of liberty the intelligentsia will shout that values are situational, not absolute. Their progressive nature will use this idea to push for a never-ending series of reforms and transformations on their way toward a never quite achieved utopian society. That message has been hidden effectively in the curricula of university and public school systems of this nation. These institutions see themselves as "change agents" of the values of our nation so that we can move in lockstep toward a humanistic utopia unhampered by outmoded religious, especially Christian values. To promote those values, products of those same institutions have migrated to positions of influence in the political, educational, judicial, and communications (entertainment and opinion making organizations) industries. In this way they have been able to subvert the minds, wills, and laws of this nation. Judges legislate from the bench, twisting the meaning of the Constitution to suit the

changing mores of the progressive society, as the change agents break down the moral values of future generations. These judges view the Constitution as a living document, able to be changed by judicial interpretation to fit the current value system, rather than the anchor that keeps a nation on a righteous path. If the Constitution is not fixed, rather than living, then the Constitution can be made to say whatever the judges want it to say. That is why the choice the people made in this election is so important. Only time will tell whether it is business as usual in the White House and the halls of congress, or if the values of the electorate will resonate with the elected. History says otherwise, but the values of the people have spoken.

The proper interpretation of the Constitution is more important to the future generations of our society than the debate over the morality of fighting the Iraq war. We need judges that will interpret the Constitution as a fixed document, giving full weight to the meanings the founders intended. It is those values, the values instilled within our founding documents, that the voters affirmed in this election. It is only the strict constructionist interpretation of our founding document, the prayers of Godly people, and the grace and mercy of God that will restore this nation to its original values and ultimately assure that we remain free. Will this president respond to the values of those that put him in office? Or, are the powers of socialism arrayed against those values too great?

Liberalism's Socialization of the Secular Mind

By their votes, modern liberal politicians favor the redistribution of wealth system of the modern welfare state. Socialistic welfare is the preferred form of economics of the Secular Humanist and the Liberal. The danger inherent in the theories of Liberalism is that it will ultimately degenerate into true socialism or worse.¹⁵ While there are forces within both major political parties of this nation that would take us ultimately down the same humanistic socialist path, the professed values of the Republican Party resonate with the traditional values of this electorate on a broad scale, when viewed by the redness of the election results map. How did liberalism get such a foothold on the minds of the nation?

In order to change the mind of a nation toward humanistic liberalism, it is necessary to indoctrinate the children. The instrument of the public school system subverted Christianity. The secularization of the school system began with a series of reports from Horace Mann to the Massachusetts Board of Education between 1837-1848. This resulted in a standardization of education - allowing total control by the state (removing local control), training and certification of teachers, and control of textbooks and curriculum. The ideas espoused within the system worked toward

neutralizing Christianity as the guide for development of character. The goal was to build humanitarians, rather than Christians. It was within the halls of public education that non-controversial Democracy was substituted for the patriotism in the faith of the Founding Fathers and their Republic. We found our citizenship in the State and our patriotism was separated from our Christian convictions.¹⁶

Liberalism's Socialization of Christian Thought

With the infiltration of liberal religious thought in the seminaries of this land, even the Christian school began to conform to the new secular worldview. Within the seminaries, the elements of modernism and liberal theology began their insidious corruption of the Christian educator; and ultimately the Christian school system was seduced. The Christian school succumbed to the evolutionary philosophy that has shaped the ideas of atheism and socialism in America.¹⁷

The Corruption of American History

The socialization of America began with the corruption of American history.¹⁸

*"The first problem was to change the attitude of Americans toward the history of their own country and the ideals of the Founding Fathers of the American Republic... But first the image of the Founding Fathers as men of high purpose had to be destroyed. This done, the socialists had a ready-made Marxian formula to replace the traditional patriotic account of American history"*¹⁹

Tailor-made textbooks became the handbooks for social change. In 1907, Charles Beard and James Harvey Robinson authored a textbook, *The Development of Modern Europe*, which popularized the socialistic teachings of Karl Marx. Beard, a socialist, published another textbook in 1913, *An Economic Interpretation of the Constitution of the United States*, "designed to demolish the lofty reputations of the Founding Fathers."²⁰ By lifting James Madison's words out of context, Beard attempted to show the Marxist leanings (before Marx was born) of this Founding Father. He attributed to Madison (out of context) "a purely economic and selfish motivation to the building of the American Republic."²¹ Nothing has changed since Beard. The following quote may even make the promotion of the popular novel, *The Da Vinci Code*, and Michael Moore's documentary, *Fahrenheit 9/11*, more understandable.

Since Beard's death (1948) the socialistic slant on history has been continued by such persons as Carl Becker, Max Lerner, and the two Schlesingers.... linked to the massive Fabian socialist movement in this country.... This degrading process is not only reflected in

college textbooks, but lurks in the pages of historical novels, in motion pictures and in television programs.... The socialist game of 'debunking history' has become a popular literary pastime.²²

Ann Coulter gives us an example of Michael Moore's truth twisting propaganda:

*Michael Moore put a microphone in Republican Congressman Mark Kennedy's face and asked for help in getting more members of Congress to send their own family members to fight the war on terror. Kennedy replied that he would love to and that he already had two nephews in the military, one on the way to Afghanistan. Moore's documentary shows Kennedy's image – but cuts his answer from the film.*²³

Moore is simply fighting his battle the liberal way. Coulter goes on to say "liberals can only win arguments when no one is allowed to argue back." Therefore they put their arguments in the form of movie and television fiction, where they "finally get to win."²⁴ Moore himself avoids directly answering the hard questions in interviews, by attempting to control the dialogue, as he did when on *The O'Reilly Factor*. He never gave a straight answer to any question, other than to ask another question. It is because of the distortions in truth that we accept slavery of our minds.

The Slavery of the Mind

The socialist humanist's plot to control the minds of all Americans continues. We say that we live in a free country, but if our minds have been enslaved, can we really be truly free? We are enslaved because we are not permitted to know the truth. It is only in knowledge of truth can we free our minds of the political slavery of those that would control us.

With the advent of the Internet and cable television, we now have the opportunity to hear another side (interpretation) of "truth." There are many ways to interpret "truth." Truth is expressed in the form of one's worldview. If you are a socialist, you interpret truth in accordance with your socialist worldview. However, if we accept the idea of absolutes, there can only be one "truth." No matter how many worldviews there are, there is ultimately only one truth. All others are compromises. The Constitution is truth for a moral Republic. If the Republic loses its moral fiber, forces will be arrayed against a literal interpretation. The Bible is truth for a moral people. If the people lose their moral fiber, forces will be arrayed against a literal interpretation. For many years this country was continuously force-fed the perspective of the socialist liberal worldview. According to Ann Coulter:

Life was much better for liberals when there were only three TV stations airing precious

*little news. Back in pre-cable news days, public political debate consisted exclusively of liberal Democrats debating radical Democrats. Now that conservatives are physically present on cable news, liberals are terrified they might have to respond to a conservative point, so liberals filibuster and interrupt, hoping to never hear it.*²⁵

With the liberal mindset infecting virtually every mind for so many years, is it any wonder that we lost the freedom of our thoughts, and many, their faith? The battle is for the souls of mankind.

Ancient Warfare

Today we are on the verge of losing our physical freedom because we fight a fanatical enemy of Christianity and Christian values bent on our destruction. The world hates a country of men and women that have built a great nation and economy, that still reverence God in large numbers, and sends missionaries and aid to the less fortunate in the world. They complain that we are raping the resources of the world for our own benefit, leaving the less fortunate countries empty and desolate, without the rightful compensation due them. But something far more sinister is happening to our own nation. Ancient spiritual and socialist forces within are undermining our institutions and values. We are prevented from exhibiting evidence of our Christian roots in the public square. The marketplace has taken Christ out of Christmas, while proclaiming "Happy Holidays" instead of "Merry Christmas," out of fear of offending or creating a lawsuit from the likes of humanistic ACLU. You cannot sing Christmas carols in school. You cannot study the Christian faith, but you can discuss the religion of Islam. You are legally taught the religion of Secular Humanism. Even godless humanists profess that they are religious, as stated in their Humanist Manifestos. They, however, deny a Creator God.

Children of a Lesser God – Religious Liberalism

No one is godless. Everyone worships either *the* God or a god of his or her own making. As we replace the God of the Bible with a lesser god, values change. We seek churches that profess the uncompromising gospel, as *we prefer it*, rather than the literal uncompromising truth of *the* Gospel. To accommodate the changing gospel, enhanced by the "change agents" mentioned earlier, likeminded pastors gather flocks of likeminded "believers." Theological Liberalism, imported from higher-critical European skeptics infiltrated the seminaries during the last two centuries, promoting unbelief in the basic doctrines of the faith, so that today we can tolerate the likes of the *Da Vinci Code* blasphemy. Rather than an absolute,

the Bible can be spiritualized and reinterpreted to cast out the offending deity of Christ, the virgin birth, miracles, and prophecy. After all, they say, "miracles do not happen and no one can see the future." We can then spiritualize the book of Revelation as something that was happening at the time it was being written, rather than an image of fearful things to come. We therefore can have a god of our own creation. If we remove the Ten Commandments (absolutes) from our sight, we can then have the Constitution of our own creation (living document). We can then expand the limits of toleration. As Christian apologist Ravi Zacharias once said, "America has lost its sense of shame." Our problems are spiritual.

Europe has a spiritual problem - they have lost their "first love." The liberal mind has replaced its first love with a humanistic lifestyle that says, "I don't need God, I can do it my way - without limits!" The humanists of Europe and America have cast God from His throne and replaced Him with self-love and idols of their own creation. To satisfy their pleasure, they make laws to eliminate *the* God and to sacrifice their children to *their* particular god on the altars of abortion. Why is population control never publicly mentioned as a major reason for support of abortion rights, except in China? People and nations need a palatable reason for their sins. Instead, for the sake of a woman's right over her own body, another person's body is treated as a parasite and killed. We take solace in the thought that it is not yet a person, and call it a "fetus." We carry this hypocrisy to the extreme when we support partial-birth abortions, where the late term baby is extracted feet first from the womb, with the head still within the birth canal, scissors are inserted at the base of the skull, and the baby is killed. What hypocrisy! This is done so birth cannot take place and the abortionist cannot be accused of infanticide. Could legal infanticide be the ultimate goal? No one wants to mention the "benefits" in having virtually intact babies for research purposes. We assuage our consciences by saying that we only have the rights of the woman at heart. We say that we want to prevent back-alley abortions, but we have done nothing but promote no-consequence permissiveness. This no-consequence permissiveness costs the lives of over 4,000 children per day in this country! Before protesting about rising world "over-population," consider that it is the no-consequence permissive lifestyle promoted by the liberal agenda, made possible by easy abortion, which has driven these numbers to where they are by making easy abortion the preferred method of birth control. What happened to the conscience of America? Could it be a direct result of Religious Liberalism?

Europe had a head start in Religious Liberalism, but is America far behind? Europe's churches stand virtually empty. Many Christian churches in the United

Kingdom have fallen to the Muslim. It is liberal theology that has ravaged the once vigorous church of the Reformation in Europe. They turned away from their fundamental values and embraced a humanistic set of values. Everything became permissible and right in their eyes. The same disease is infecting the churches in America. They are turning away from the sure words of truth, and deny that there is such thing as absolute truth. If there are no absolutes, then the Bible or the Constitution can be interpreted any way that one can see fit. They can make right in their eyes, but not God's. In the early 20th century, Progressivism infected the pulpits of America. Preachers began preaching a social gospel that had the purpose of utilizing "Christianity as support for transforming the social order." The social gospel message showed clear signs of considerable Marxist influence.²⁶ Christianity and the Constitution are under attack. The reasons are the same.

The Corruption of the Constitution and Socialistic Utopia

The attack on the Constitution comes from those that seek their socialistic utopia. The socialist and the humanist both believe that the theories of social Darwinism will ultimately lead mankind from the original ooze of the primordial pond to ultimate perfection of society, without a need for God.²⁷ They wish to exclude God from society so that they can have a more permissive lifestyle. "The Constitution is too narrow," they say. "Tax the rich to save the poor," is their motto. In this way they can have their godless, classless society. The liberal response to the failures of their institutions is to demand more money to fix them. Rather than give up on their bankrupt socialist ideas, more money is sought to shore up the failures. The answer is not beggar the rich for the sake of the poor, but to see that God fearing men and women are elected to office that will return this nation to its original foundations, and demand that they uphold the Constitution as originally intended. Unfortunately, these days, it is not easy to get beyond the politically correct rhetoric to determine just whom might be God fearing, and who is a strict constructionist.

The Corruption of the Bible and a Utopian Religion

The attack on Christianity is similar to the corruption of the Constitution. "God's word is too narrow; does the Bible really say...?" "There must be other ways to God." "Jesus can't be the only way." This is the heart of the matter. Even some in the church would allow salvation by other means. The Pope even proclaims that the god of Islam is the same as the God of the Bible, and he even embraces representatives of many different faiths, including shamans, witch doctors, and Buddhists, without

affirming the absolute truth of the Gospel. What is that truth? What does the Bible say? If you profess to be a believing Christian, the absolute truth is clear. No amount of twisting can avoid the inescapable truth that there is only one way laid out by God for salvation of man. The only way many avoid seeing the truth is to redefine God's plan of salvation that He laid out from Genesis to Revelation. If the clear meaning of Scripture is not to your liking, you can spiritualize it away if you like to your everlasting peril. God's words are clear for all to understand if they humble themselves, and ask Christ into their lives. What is it that upsets the world so much? Why is there such bitter anger whenever anyone mentions the name of Jesus Christ? It's because of what Jesus said in John 14:6 that upsets so many today. Jesus severely narrowed the road to salvation.

The Only Way

Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way**, the truth, and the life: **no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.** John 14:6 King James Version (KJV)

Someone recently challenged me to look closely at these words of Jesus. Did Jesus really claim to be exclusively "the only way?" In this verse, Jesus claims to be "the way," and the only way to the Father is by way of Him.

Using several standard Greek references, we can establish that the translation of John 14:6 is valid. Jesus is actually saying that "no one" comes to the Father except "by" or "through" Him. Of this there is no doubt. Both Young's and Green's literal translations have essentially the same wording. Both Vine's and Strong's Greek dictionaries show that there is no variation to the meaning of the words. Kenneth S. Wuest, in his expanded translation makes it emphatic with:

Jesus says to him, **I alone, in contradistinction to all others, am the road and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.** John 14:5 Wuest's Expanded Translation

The translation in the KJV shown at the beginning is firm.

This little verse presents a problem to many people. They say that the Christian religion is too exclusive. They prefer to believe that there are many paths to God, of which Christianity is only one path but for this little verse. This one verse is a thorn in their sides.

This verse says that the way to the Father is through Jesus Christ; all other paths are like sinking sand. Many say, "But what about all the good sincere people that follow different roads; aren't they saved by their "good works?" The Bible is clear that "good works" can save no one.

For **by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves:** it is the **gift of God: Not of works**, lest any man should boast. Ephesians 2:8, 9 KJV

Only by faith in Jesus Christ and His atoning death as the penalty for the sins of mankind are we saved. The Bible makes that abundantly clear. Paul puts it this way:

Salvation that comes from trusting Christ — which is the message we preach — is already **within easy reach**. In fact, the Scriptures say, "The message is close at hand; it is on your lips and in your heart." For if you **confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.** For it is **by believing in your heart that you are made right with God**, and it is **by confessing with your mouth that you are saved.** Romans 10:8-10 New Living Translation

Romans chapter one says that it is possible to know God through the evidence in His creation, so that men are without excuse (Romans 1:19, 20).

Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the **invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:** Romans 1:19-20 KJV

It is therefore possible for all to know God, and those that sincerely and diligently seek Him will find Him (Matthew 6:33; 7:7,8).

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you... **Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:** For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Matthew 6:33; 7:7, 8 KJV

I don't know what God has in mind regarding the salvation of the remote people that have never even heard the name of Jesus, or have never been presented with the Gospel message — but, we are instructed to evangelize the world (Matthew 28:19). I do know, however, that the Bible says that God is merciful and just (Psalm 116:5; 1 John 1:9), and that He desires that no one should perish (John 3:16). Romans also makes it abundantly clear that the truth is open to all men by observing what God has created, so we are "without excuse," even if we have never heard the Gospel. The knowledge of the futility of false religious practices is available to all men by pondering what God has shown them by virtue of His Creation. The Bible

also says that He will draw all men to Himself (John 12:32).

And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. John 12:32 KJV

How each of us responds to that call is important. If we refuse to answer that call, then we are lost.

The entire Bible points to salvation as a free gift beginning with the first sacrifice in the Garden, where God covered sin by clothing Adam and Eve with animal skins (Genesis 3:21). Cain represented false religion when he presented an un-bloody sacrifice; then, because of jealousy, slew his brother Abel (Genesis 4:3-8). Abraham was instructed to offer his only son Isaac on an altar on Mount Moriah, only to be told at the last moment to substitute a ram, which God provided (Genesis 22:2-18). Moses was instructed concerning the required bloody sacrifice of a lamb for the atonement of sin once a year (Exodus 12:5; Leviticus 14:11-14, 19, 20; 16:3-11, 14, 15, 20-23, 30). Finally Jesus Christ was offered once for all as a bloody sacrifice on the same Mount Moriah for the sins of us all (John 1:29; 1 Peter 1:19; Hebrews 9:26-28). Miraculously, as if on some eternal timetable the once-a-year sacrifice in the Jewish Temple ceased shortly after the crucifixion, and the Temple curtain was torn from the top down signifying that the path to the mercy seat is available to all (Luke 23:45).

We, those who have directly heard the message, are the most accountable. What we do with God's message of salvation through His Son Jesus Christ has eternal consequences. But, as Paul writes, those who respond and believe are free from the curse:

There is therefore **now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.** For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. Romans 8:1, 2 KJV

We have been set free from spiritual death (the curse; Genesis 2:17; 3:16-19) by acceptance of what Jesus did for us. Man sinned through rebellion. God offers salvation from the consequences of man's rebellion, through the works of His Son. According to the Bible, salvation apart from the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on a bloody cross 2,000 years ago is not possible.

Quit compromise. The Bible speaks clear words. Open up your heart to receive the truth of the Gospel of Christ. Accept Jesus Christ as your Lord, walk in the

Spirit, and the love of Christ will free you from the ancient curse on mankind found in Genesis chapter 3. AΩ

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